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SUBJECT: CIVAIR: VENEZUELAN CONSULTATIONS

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1. FOREIGN MINISTRY APPRECIATES USG COOPERATION IN ACCEPTANCE OF SUGGESTED DATES. GOV DELEGATION WILL PROBABLY BE ENLARGED BY ONE, FRANCISCO AGUERREVERE, VIASA GENERAL MANAGER.
 2. FOREIGN MINISTRY SPOKESMAN, CHIEF TRANSPORT DIVISION MARIANO TIRADO, INFORMED EMBASSY THAT HIS OFFICE HAS SUCCESSFULLY COUNTERED MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS INTENTION TO PRESS FOR RENEGOTIATION OF BILATERAL AND CHANGE OF PRE-SCREENING METHOD INTO ONE OF PRE-DETERMINATION.
 3. IT IS GOV DELEGATION'S INTENTION TO DISCUSS WITH USG CHANGES IN US POLICY REGARDING INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION, WHICH IN GOV'S VIEW ARE BECOMING MORE LENIENT BY PERMITTING INTER-AIRLINE AGREEMENTS RESULTING IN A CERTAIN DEGREE OF PREDTERMINATION. VENEZUELAN'S WOULD LIKE TO BE INFORMED OF USG'S VIEWS REGARDING GOVERNMENT ROLE IN SUCH AGREEMENTS AND OUTLOOK FOR FUTURE IN THIS RESPECT.
 4. TIRADO STATED THAT PRELIMINARY TALKS COULD BE HELD REGARDING AN EXCHANGE OF NOTES CHANGING THE PRE-SCREENING CLAUSES OF MEMORANDUM OF CONSULTATION OF DECEMBER 21, 1971, INTO WORDING
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WHICH WOULD PERMIT AGREEMENTS BETWEEN AIRLINES AND SPELLING

OUT RESPECTIVE GOVERNMENTS' ROLE IN SUCH CASES. IF IN FACT THERE HAS BEEN A CHANGE IN POLICIES, A MODIFICATION OF THEMEMORANDUM OF CONSULTATION MIGHT BE CALLED FOR AND WOULD AT THE SAME TIME PLACATE

MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND IVASA CIRCLES, ACCORDING TO TIRADO.

5. WHILE ADMITTING THAT STRICTLY SPEAKING THE REASONS FOR REQUESTING THE CONSULTATIONS IS THE VENEZUELAN PROTEST AGAINST FREQUENCY REQUESTS BY PAN AM AND DELTA, TIRADO STATED THAT HE FEELS THAT THIS SITUATION HAS SUCCESSFULLY BEEN OVERCOME BY THE AGREEMENTS BETWEEN PANAM AND VIASA. NEVERTHELESS, GOV DESIRES CONSULTATIONS TO BE HELD, ALTHOUGH MATTERS TO BE DISCUSSED WOULD BE DIFFERENT AND HOPES THAT USG WILL GO ALONG. TIRADO ENVISIONS THE TALKS AS AN INFORMATIVE EXCHANGE OF OPINIONS AND VIEWS, ESPECIALLY WITH REGARD TO CHANGING US POLICIES.
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